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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	Confirmation No.: 8940
Richard L. Schuster)	Art Unit: 3782
Serial No.: 10/575,997)	Examiner: Elkins, Gary E.
Filed: 04/17/2006)	
For: HANDLE AND TOP HANDLE REINFORCEMENT FOR A PAPERBOARD CARRIER		

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A to indicate in the official file wrapper that each item has been considered.

The following summarizes the status of copies of listed information provided with the instant Information Disclosure Statement:

- a copy of Item A is not attached;
- copies of Items B – I are attached hereto;

Items B – H are not in the English language. Applicant's understanding of these references is limited to the disclosure in the drawing figures and to the English language abstracts of Items B, G and H that also are attached.

If the Examiner believes that it might be beneficial for the Applicant to provide additional information about the non-English reference, then the Examiner is encouraged to notify the undersigned. The Applicant will endeavor to provide any requested additional information to the Examiner.

Applicant believes adequate understanding of the non-English reference can be obtained upon review of the drawing figures of the reference.

Applicant reserves the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the cited information and/or to prove that any purported teaching of the cited information

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This citation of information should not be construed as an admission that Applicant has an obligation to provide this information in the present application or as a representation that an exhaustive search has been made, that the information disclosed is material, that the information disclosed is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102, or that information more material to the examination of this Application does not exist. The order of presentation of information on the attached Form SB/08A should not be construed as an indication of importance of the references. Applicant requests that the Examiner conduct an independent and thorough search and examination of all pertinent art, and consider completely the information disclosed hereby, along with any other information, in reaching a determination of patentability.

The references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A are being submitted at this time because they were only recently brought to our attention as a result of foreign prosecution; and a certification, as specified in paragraph (e) of 37 CFR 1.97, is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to account no. 09-0528.

Respectfully submitted,

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37 CFR 1.97(e) CERTIFICATION

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Sir:

This certification is being submitted, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, with the Information Disclosure Statement enclosed herewith. Each reference cited by the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office regarding a related foreign application. The communication from the foreign patent office was not received more than three months prior to the submittal of this certification.

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